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1. The resistance of the peasantry has disturbed the Romanian authorities. Despite the assignment of more militiamen to rural areas, resistance activities have increased. Governmental communiques announcing the execution of "Kulaks" are designed to terrorize the peasantry.
2. In September 1949 a Militia squad entered the village of Cobadin, in Constanta County, to put down peasant resistance activities and arrest the local leader, one Gogu Puia. The peasants opposed the militiamen, who then opened fire. Puia then fired on the militiamen with an automatic weapon, killing eight and wounding sixteen. Puia was later caught and executed on orders from Bucharest.
3. In the village of Vultur, in Constanta County, the assistant mayor, a Communist, was shot by the peasants because of his harsh measures in collecting grain.
4. The peasant partisans of the Dobrudja area are reportedly active and well organized.

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